

The War Department

ADVISES ON EARLY YULETIDE MAILING

The War Department advises that Christmas cards for soldiers overseas must be mailed at once because they will reach even the most remote APO's by the 25th, according to the Army Postal Service.

For the general public, the parcel delivery are to be mailed before the 1st of December and

Christmas cards before the 10th. They may be mailed unsealed at 1½ cents postage this year but the Army Postal Service stated that these will not be forwarded in case the receiver has moved to another address. These information were received at the local postoffice from Mary Briggs, Los Angeles Postmaster.

Ray Best Reveals Further Details On Tule Situation

TULELAKE, Calif., Nov. 17—Although this center has been under Army Control since November 4, situation was described as quiet this week, according to a teletype from Ray R. Best, project director of Tulelake. (Sunday night radio broadcasts told that the Army had taken over direct supervision of Tulelake.—Ed note.)

Equipment For Miso Factory Being Installed

Equipments for a Miso Factory in Camouflage Building 4 are now being installed by the Public Works Division, according to Manufacturing Superintendent H. R. Haberle.

Steamer and ageing room for miso production have now been completed. The only necessary materials are the trays, which are being manufactured by the Wood Working Shop.

"Although no definite date can be given for the completion of the installation and the starting of miso production, we hope that it will be available to the Mess Division some time in December," Haberle declared.

The production of miso will be under the supervision of J. Kato who is an experienced miso maker. He will be assisted by approximately five men, the division announced.

Moxley To Teach First Aid Course

Beginning November 22, a new First Aid course to be taught by Elizabeth M. Moxley will be offered. Classes will be held every Monday from 3:35 to 5:15 p.m. and will continue for approximately 14 weeks. Everyone interested is invited to enroll.

A standard First Aid course for policemen will begin November 18. Classes will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m., stated Elizabeth Moxley.

Co-op Association Chooses New Board

Elections were held November 11 for a board of directors in the Community Activities Cooperative Association. The members of the board of directors who will serve for a term of three months include the following department heads: Music Department, Matsuburo Shiozaki; Sports Department, Henry T. Murakami; Arts and Crafts Department, Masaki Ichien; Victory Garden, Masao Tanaka; Entertainment and Social Department, Shig Ishii.

Elected by Congressional delegates from each department were: Music Department, Henry Yamaguchi; Sports Department, Joe Kishi; Arts and Crafts Department, Fred Yabuki; Victory Garden, Sukekazu Yato; Entertainment and Social, Seichi Miyaki.

Takeji Higashi, Frank Kurahashi, Frank Hata, Teru Watanabe, and Shinichi Kaneishi were elected by Congress, stated Aksel Nielsen, director of Community Activities.

Best declared that the Army took charge of the center at his request on the night of November 4 when about 300 to 400 segments, armed with sticks and clubs, moved into the Administration area and participated in altercations with WRA staff members. A WRA internal security officer, Edward F. Borbeck, was injured in the disturbance. The Army was ordered in about 9:45 p.m. and apprehended the entire group for questioning. No one received gun shot wounds. The director also indicated that the Army and WRA are taking steps to round up other troublemakers in the center who have been causing discord in the center since early October.

Project Director Best revealed that the Administrative area has been completely cut off from the Japanese colony by a fence. Since the Army control no evacuee workers have returned to the administrative offices, although small crews have been unloading coal and food. He stated that no one is permitted to go into the evacuee residential section without an Army escort.

"In our opinion the majority of the residents would not question the authority of the WRA or the Army," Best said. "However, since segregation we have been aware that we have in this center persons who would go to any lengths to cause trouble to the United States government in the belief that in so doing they would be aiding their country. Knowing this we have been ready to ask the Army to act on short notice."

In regards to the story connected with Dillon Myer, Best declared that it was a result of a hoax perpetrated by a well organized group of trouble makers. It occurred on November 1 when the WRA Director visited the center. He was not scheduled to meet with Japanese representatives until the next day. Yet it was announced in all dining halls at noon that all evacuees were to go to the Administration area to hear a talk by Dillon Myer. As a result of this hoax, between 3500 and 4000 men, women and children gathered around the administration area. A well organized group of perhaps 200 young men directed the movement of the crowd and also told WRA staff members to remain in the buildings.

The staff realized that a single incident would endanger many innocent people. In view of the fact that the crowd was orderly and that the crowd was between the Army post and the administration building, it was decided to avoid possible bloodshed which in all possibility would have been inevitable under the circumstances if the Army had been called in. While the crowd stayed outside, Dillon Myer, national director, Robert Cozzens, Regional Director and Rey Best, project director met with a committee of 17 evacuees representing the colony. After the conference the crowd was told by Mr. Myer that he did not act upon demands, and assured them that the WRA and the evacuees could get together

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American Soldiers

(The following story was given us by Owen Lattimore, director of the San Francisco Office of War Information, concerning nisei soldiers in Alabama.—Ed. note.)

A friend of mine was sitting in a restaurant near a training camp in Alabama. Since he came from China, his companion called his attention to some men in uniform, and asked whether he thought they were Chinese or Japanese. An officer sitting near them overheard the conversation and came to their table. He said: "Those soldiers are not Japanese, and they are not Japanese-Americans either. They are American soldiers, and let me tell you they are the best damned soldiers I ever commanded."

CLOSE MESS TWO EARLY THIS WEEK

With mess hall 2 closed due to a decrease in block 2 population, the Community Management, under the supervision of Lucy Adams, assistant project director, outlined plans for its use.

Although the mess hall will be used as a school gym, indoor movie theater and a hall for social activities, the Administration assured the block residents that they may use the mess hall for block meetings whenever it is applied for in advance.

The Mess Division denied this week that mess hall 6 or 12 will close in the near future and that the division is not planning to close one mess hall in each area, by declaring that "this is just another one of those rumors."

Designate November 14-20 'Book Week'

Originally proposed in 1919 by Franklin K. Mathews, a librarian, a week in November is designated annually for Book Week. Book Week is for the promotion of reading sale of children's books. Book Week this year if from November 14 to the 20th, with "Building the Future with Books" as the theme.

First sponsored by the American Booksellers' Association, with endorsement of the American Library Association, it is now backed by these and many other national and local organizations.

Manzanar libraries will observe this occasion with posters and displays, announced Ruth Budd, librarian. Talks to the elementary school children by the high school library science class will be given, and a "Book Week" contest will be administered to several high school classes. Library displays will also be planned.

SIXTH LECTURE

On November 20, the sixth Autumn Shuyo Kai Koen Kai will be held at 7 p.m. in Mess Hall 21. Dr. Teiji Takahashi will speak on "Fundamental Knowledge of Home Nursing," and the Rev. Seizo Abe will give a speech on "Spiritual Economics." Any residents interested in attending this discussion are invited.

to discuss and settle any problems that occur.

The project director stated that 207 evacuees from several relocation centers are working 14 to 16 hours a day harvesting the crops at the project farm.

BEGIN SHELLACKING OF MESS TABLES

Shellacking of mess hall tables and painting of kitchens got under way last week in the various mess halls, according to Chief Steward J. R. Winchester.

He stated that it takes two days to complete each mess hall and that mess halls 3, 4, 5, and 8 have been completed to date. No definite schedule has been made since the stove crew is also working

at various mess halls and the closing of two near-by mess halls may cause an inconvenience to the residents.

The work is being done by the Public Works crew and two months are expected before a complete round of all the mess halls can be made, Winchester said.

Dr. Wm. J. Bruce Leaves For Washington Budget Bureau Post

Dr. William J. Bruce, business enterprise superintendent of the Manzanar Consumers' Enterprises since its establishment, left Monday to work in the Bureau of Budget, Division of Statistical Standards. He is to start work there November 16, but Dr. Bruce stated that he didn't think he could get there that soon but may be about the 25th or the 30th of the month.

Dr. Bruce explained that the division has the responsibility of reviewing plans of all government agencies as those plans relate to the collection of information of any sort. Any government agency which wishes information from the public or any other government agency must first obtain the approval of the Statistical Division for their program of action. He further explained that the division acts as the arms of the President in organization and the programs of all government agencies and is charged with the responsibility of recommending and enforcing efficient programs of administrative organizations. In other words, Dr. Bruce added, the primary job is to cut out duplication.

Officially named as successor to Dr. Bruce was Lee C. Poole of the procurement office Mr. Poole had formerly been under Dr. Bruce as assistant superintendent of the Co-operative Enterprises.

"I am proud of the Co-op and am happy to have taken part in forming your Co-op," stated Dr. Bruce. Saturday afternoon before approximately 30 persons at the Co-op meeting of the Board of Directors and managerial staff. This informal meeting was Dr. Bruce's last appearance before the group prior to his departure for Washington, D.C.

Dr. Bruce told the staff and directors to "work toward what you, as the leaders, think it is best for the members and you will find that it is in most cases the best. You must remember, though, that it is what the members want that is of utmost importance." The group was told that the board of directors has the responsibility of keeping the members in close contact with their business; that if what the people want is plausible, "give it to them, and above all keep up their interest in their business."

Dr. Bruce told of two important things the members of the co-op must consider. First, they must be willing to talk over things among themselves and the managerial staff, and secondly, they must be willing to pick the best men they can find to run the co-op and then give them full support.

"It is the big job of the Co-op to educate the people of our organization. Teach the people what the co-op is, has done and will do. Remind the people that this is their co-op and that they own the whole thing. Outline a clear program for the people; be forceful, then the people will follow you," declared Dr. Bruce.

The business superintendent

DAMAGE \$3000 IN FIRST MAJOR FIRE

Fire caused by an oil stove explosion destroyed the furnishings and personal belongings of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Wood, 1-10-1, early Monday morning.

Mrs. Wood and the two children were the only persons in the apartment when the fire started, the Fire Department disclosed. Upon hearing a dull explosion and the screaming of the pet cat, Mrs. Wood was reported to have dashed into the front room of the two room apartment, where the baby was sleeping, to find the room engulfed in smoke. It was revealed that the baby was sleeping but 5 feet from the stove. Mrs. Wood carried the two children to safety.

Meanwhile, Mr. Wood, seeing the flames coming out of his apartment as he was returning from work, called the fire station.

The Fire Department battled the flames for five minutes before bringing the flames under control. "The firemen should be commended for their efficient work in bringing the fire under control," Fire Protection Officer Frank Hon stated.

The fire was confined to one room, but destroyed all clothing, furniture, prized paintings and other articles of sentimental value. The damage to belongings was estimated by Mr. Wood to be approximately \$3000.

advocated open membership stating "one disappointment in this co-op is that it is strictly an evacuee organization. Open your membership. I would like to see you working together with all kinds of people. If anyone is willing to work with us, he should be eligible to be a part of our co-op. Our by-laws do not restrict us to keep within the barbed wire fence. The co-op should be spread to the outside."

One of the problems confronting the Co-op organization is: Can the co-op help re-establish evacuees? Can it be useful in establishing the Japanese people? Dr. Bruce believes that money spent by the co-op in re-establishing one person in an outside community is well worth the money.

Dr. Bruce stated that the co-op must consider relocation as part of its work. He added that the financial condition of evacuees is low, but believes that they will have strength by working together to re-establish themselves. "If you use the co-op to help evacuee re-establishment, it

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